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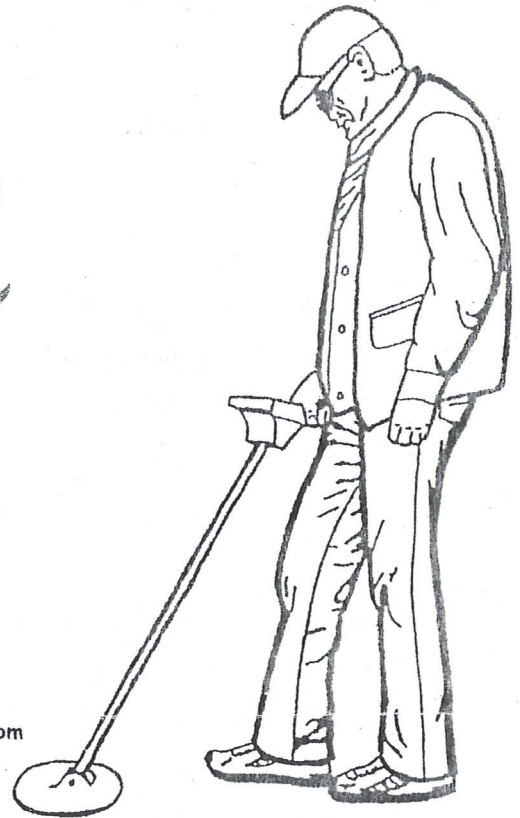
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* * * * PRIZES * * * * * THIS MEETING * *

Promptness Prize:

There is a free drawing for those who come
to the meeting on time. Just sign the log
book.

Also, enter our monthly contest for more
prizes, and a really nice grand prize.

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Origin of State's Name

Taken from the name of the Ute
Indians, whose name means
"people of the mountains."

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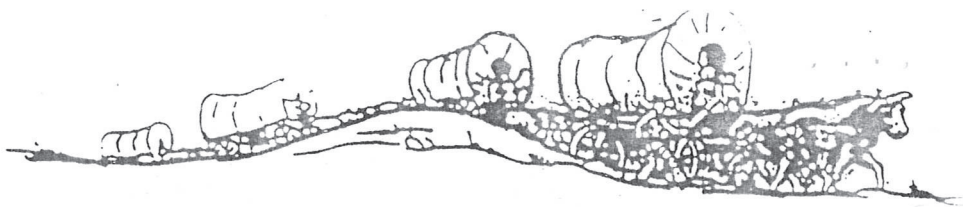
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Thursday, January 26, 2006

7:00 pm

Redwood Multipurpose Center
3100 S. Redwood Rd, SLC, UT

President's Message



Thanks for your vote of confidence in me as President. I hope I can make a difference.

We will be swearing in the new officers at January's meeting. We will also have a video called "Art of Making the Rare Coin Deal".

The club has a post office box now:

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National Utah Token Society

PO BOX 651071

Salt Lake City, UT 84165

Also remember to bring your dues for the new year. I hope to see everyone at the meeting.

Don Swain

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January 26, 2006 - NUTS Meeting

At the Redwood Road Multipurpose Center

We will show a video entitled - "Art of Making the Rare Coin Deal".

Promptness Prize: Those who come to the meeting on time and sign the log book. Might win the drawing for a nice coin or token.

Find of the Month: Bring things you found since the last meeting.

Bring some of your favorite bottles and tell us about them. You might also bring in some you want to trade or sell.

Game of Skill: Try for your favorite prize, and have fun.

Installation of Officers: New officers will be installed for 2006.

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Last Meeting:

NUTS had their annual Christmas party at the Golden Corral in Layton. There were separate drawings: (1) for everyone who attended, (2) for all club members only, and (3) for those who helped at the coin show. Also, members who attended at least half the meetings received a special gift.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FEB 23, 2006 - NUTS Meeting at the Redwood Road Multipurpose Center, at 7:00 pm. Topic to be announced at a later date.

MARCH 23, 2006 - NUTS Meeting at the Redwood Road Multipurpose Center, at 7:00 pm. Topic to be announced at a later date.

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TIDBITS

Talk about raising your own turkey and killing him for Thanksgiving. Never try to eat an animal after you have fed it for months

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On the way to Tonopah - there is a log cabin stove where the owner has some buffalo outside in a pen. He says he originally bought them to slaughter, but he never got around to it. . . .

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I heard of a Sundowner Club in a California city where all the members all liked ham and bacon, then decided to buy a baby pig. They all pitched in to buy it's food. When it finally got big enough to butcher, none of those tough macho biker dudes had the heart to kill it. After about eight years, it had tattoos all over it. . .

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STATEHOOD

On January 4, 1896, Utah became the 45th state to join the Union.



Gabriel Riley Huntsman started in 1894 with his son, George R. Huntsman, taking over the mercantile in September, 1929. Prior to this, George was a school teacher. In 1941, he sold the business and entered the Army, becoming a full Colonel. The business became the 'George Rowler Variety Store'.

FUN UTAH FACTS

Levan, is "navel"
spelled backwards.

It is so named
because it is in the
middle of Utah.



Rainbow Bridge,
nature's abstract
sculpture carved
of solid sandstone,
is the world's largest
natural-rock span.



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covers 2,100 square
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depth of 13 feet. The
deepest point is 34 feet.



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NUTS BY-LAWS

Finalized copy upon changes made in 2005.

Article I — Membership

1. The President and governing board may set the requirements for membership in this society.
2. An *individual membership* gives membership privileges to only that one person. Family members and guests of that person may attend meetings, but will not have the privileges of members, such as voting rights, or the right to enter competitions.
3. A *family membership* gives membership privileges to every family member who resides at that person's address, including adopted children, foster children, and exchange students. Children under 12 years old will not have voting rights at club meetings.
4. A *junior membership* is for young people under 18 who are not already included in a family membership. Their dues will be 2/3 that of an individual membership, and they will have full voting rights if they are over 12.
5. A *lifetime membership* can be purchased by any member for 20 times the current amount of annual dues.
6. An *honorary membership* is automatically awarded to all past presidents of this society, and may be awarded to any other person at the discretion of the governing board. This is an honorary title only, and does not convey membership privileges unless dues are paid by that person.
7. Members are expected to be courteous and honest in their dealings with the society, with other club members, and with their community. After careful examination of the evidence, and after making every effort to hear all sides of the story, the governing board may terminate a person's membership for bad behavior. This will require a 2/3 vote of the board, and a refund of a prorated portion of the member's dues. A terminated membership may be reinstated at the

discretion of the board.

8. Whenever the gender designation "he," "him", or "his" is used, it is expected that this applies equally to the society's female members.

Article II — Officers and Governing Board

1. The **president** will preside at the club meetings, and board meetings. He will appoint committees as necessary, and will approve all expenditures. He will supervise and coordinate the activities of the committees and the officers. He will arrange for speakers or activities for the regular meetings. He will give the editor a monthly message for the newsletter.
2. The **vice-president** will assume the duties of the president when necessary, and will become president for the remainder of the year if the president's office becomes vacant. The vice president will also be in charge of officer elections. He will obtain names of possible future officers and nominate them before the election.
3. The **treasurer** will keep a record of all money received by the society, either cash or check, how much, date received, from whom, and what for. He will deposit this money as directed by the governing board. When authorized by the president or vice-president, the treasurer will make payments of society funds to pay for the society's obligations. The treasurer will keep an accurate record of all these payments, either by check or cash, how much, date paid, to whom, and for what, together with any receipts. A summary of all transactions and available funds will be given to the governing board each month. All checks are to be signed by at least 2 officers. The treasurer will keep the editor updated about who has paid dues so the newsletter mailing list can be kept current.
4. The **editor** is responsible for official publications of the society. He is in charge of organization, general content, printing, and mailing, and distribution, as directed by the governing board. He will keep records of all decisions of the governing board, and happenings at the society's events and

meetings.

5. The **wagon masters** are responsible for planning society hunts, and supervising drawings and contests, and purchasing tokens and other items to be used as prizes. Any items bought for these purposes must be bought at or below fair market value, and receipts must be turned in to the treasurer or president at the next meeting.

6. Additional officers may be elected by the membership, or appointed by the governing board. These may include Medals Chairman, and Bourse Chairman and Historian. Their duties will be defined by the governing board.

7. The governing board of this society will consist of the elected and appointed officers. It will be responsible for setting long-range goals for the society, and for setting guidelines for the current officers.

8. If a vacancy in any of the offices occurs, the president may, with the approval of a majority of the governing board, appoint a person from the membership to fill that office. However, if the vacancy occurs in the president's office, the Vice President will become President, and the vice presidency may be filled as described above.

9. If an officer refuses to, or continually fails to fulfill his duties, the governing board may remove him from the office. This will require 2/3 majority of the governing board. The resulting vacancy may be filled as described above.

10. At the time of their installation, all officers shall take an oath of affirmation, which will be prescribed by the governing board.

Article III — Dues

1. Dues must be paid by May first of each year, otherwise the member's name will be dropped from the membership list. However, they may be reinstated upon payment of the full year's dues.

2. The governing board will set the amount of the dues based on the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter, meeting room rental, and any other outstanding bills of the society. However, any increase in the amount of dues

must be approved by a majority vote of the members at a regular meeting. Members must be notified of the proposed increase in advance of the meeting.

3. New members who join the society after June first of any year, will have their first year's dues prorated according to the number of months remaining in that year.

Article IV — Income and Assets

1. It is the intent of the National Utah Token Society to be a non-profit, voluntary organization. No part of the net earnings of the society will be applied to the benefit of any individual.

2. Coins, tokens, or other merchandise may be awarded to drawing winners, competition winners, speakers, officers, or members, in recognition for things such as time spent, in service to the society, special achievement, or discovering the best buried treasure.

3. Auctions, special programs, or shows may be held to raise funds. It is expected that the dealers, or participants in these events will personally benefit, but any net proceeds will personally benefit, but any net proceeds for sponsoring each event shall go to this society. Rules governing any such event will be set by the governing board.

4. Upon dissolution of the society, any remaining assets will be distributed to charitable organizations which would qualify under the provisions of section 501C(3) and 170(B)(1) of the internal revenue code.

Article V — Elections

1. In October of each year the vice-president will personally inquire of individual members to find people willing and qualified to serve as officers. At the November meeting, the vice president will nominate as many as 2 people for each office, and further nominations will be open to members from the floor.

2. Voting will be done by secret ballot, separately for each office, in which case the vote may be done by acclamation.

3. Installation of new officers will be at the regular December or January meeting. The new officers will begin serving as soon as they are installed.

Article VI — Meetings

1. Regular meetings of the society will be at a place and time set by the governing board.
2. Special meetings may be called, upon due notice to the members, by the president, or in his absence, by the vice-president.
3. Members are encouraged to invite guests, or visitors, to the society meetings or events, but visitors may not vote in any poll or election, and they might not qualify to enter competitions.

Article VII — Courtesy

1. When any member is searching an area, and finds something of interest or value, that member has the right to continue the search alone unless he specifies otherwise. Other members should give him at least a 15-foot radius from the original find.

Article VIII --- Amendments

1. These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members in attendance at any meeting of the society, provided that the proposed amendment has been brought up for discussion at the previous regular meeting, and a notice as to the nature of the proposed amendment has been mailed to each member in the newsletter in time to arrive before the meeting.

For the next few months, we will have excerpts from the book entitled:

"Union, Utah: Our Heritage of pioneers, People, Places, and Events", by the Union Fort Camp of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. Compiled by: Colleen J. Carlsen, Louise C. Green, and Helenmarr S. Johnson.

Included is a history of Union and includes events or subjects that have influenced the people who lived in Union and Union Fort.

AGRICULTURE

The Salt Lake Valley had been described as a sterile wasteland with glistening saltbeds. It was reported that Jim Bridger offered \$1,000 for the production of the first bushel of corn. Planting in July was too late in the season, so their harvest was meager.

Pioneers came into the valley that first year too late to plant very much. Potatoes and some

other crops were planted after July 24, so there wasn't much to be gleaned. Problems with hordes of crickets and grasshoppers, droughts, freezing weather and other things combined to make for a poor harvests.

One of the common weed. That we today do not appreciate in our gardens, was the redroot pigweed. Some diaries credit the redroot for saving their family's lives. This weed has a root much like a radish, and the greens may also be eaten. Other weeds consumed by the pioneers were goosefoot and lambs quarter, eaten much the way we consume spinach, either raw or cooked.

Thistle stalks and leaves from stinging nettles were used for greens. Cooking destroyed the part that affected the skin. Kamas, Utah, produced camus bulbs which were either eaten or prepared as a molasses.

In 1873 John Oborn became an agent for a company in Illinois to sell trees but they arrived so late that he had a difficult time selling them. He did manage to sell 27,000 Lombardy Poplar cuttings and silver Maples. Silas Richards brought the first peach pits and grapes from Dixie. Rufus Forbush raised the first honey locust trees and sugar maples from seed. The scarce cottonwood trees were raised by Henry walker. The first walnut tree in the valley was in Poulsen's yard. There was a pear tree growing at the yellow brick house with brown brick trim, south of the fort.

Across the street is a tall Carolina poplar tree, now 13 feet 10 inches (166") in diameter, growing near 1035 East 7260 South. It is said that this tree was stepped on by a horse when the tree was newly planted in the late 1800's and was never straightened, so the root has grown horizontally along the ground for about six feet before the tree rises majestically into the air. Nearby is a white maple measuring 17 feet 7 inches, (211") in diameter.

When Catherine and Henry Simmons moved to Orem in 1861, they found a valley beautiful with currants, strawberries, chokecherries, gooseberries, raspberries and service berries growing in abundance. These fruits were gathered and dried for future use. There were no fruit jars available to preserve fresh fruit. Next month - "Black Hawk War".

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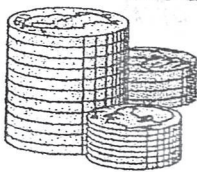
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"Union, Utah: Our Heritage of Pioneers" (continued)

One year Alexander and Jennett Kelsey did not have enough wheat. They had their wheat ground coarsely into whole wheat flour, then sifted it to remove the coarsely part. They made bread with all that would not go through the sieve. It still was not enough to last the winter, so they had to live on weeds till the next crop came. Alex came from the south where peaches were grown. In Smithfield, he planted peach trees which bore small hard fruits, very difficult from today. (The children thought they were a wonderful treat.)

One of Elizabeth Griffith's chores as a child was to gather greens for food such as mustard greens, pigweed, watercress, sego lily roots and wild berries.

As a child, Sarah L. Hammond Terry looked forward to Sundays because her father would obtain a bucket of grapes from the grower's vineyard, and the children had a special treat. Also, flour biscuits were made from wheat instead of the regular corn johnny-cake.

William P. Smith helped his father gather herbs from which he made medicinal and healing salves.

A type of cactus, shaped much like a pear or fig, was called the prickly pear. Hark Lay (Wales) related they found a goodly supply of the plant along the way at the time of Brigham Young's first emigration to the valley. Hark said that even though the plants were covered with thorn-like needles, if they were carefully pared, they were deliciously edible.

The mulberry tree has edible fruits which resemble blackberries. The fruits have many seeds. Leaves are oval or heart-shaped, and are toothed, sometimes divided into lobes. The white mulberry tree from China has been anciently used by the silkworms, which, after eating the bright green leaves, spin a cocoon of silky fibers, which are woven into silken fabrics. Brigham Young thought the silk industry could be carried on in Utah, so he purchased a supply of mulberry seed from France. Soon there were 25-30 acres of these trees growing in groves and orchards. These mulberry leaves fed the silkworms. A few of these trees still exist near D.U.P. Marker #73, located on 1800 East Herbert Avenue in Salt Lake City.

Next month - "Black Hawk War".